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Title: BIOMETRIC IDENTIFICATION DEVICE, AUTHENTICATION DEVICE USING
THE SAME, AND BIOMETRIC IDENTIFICATION METHOD
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Examiner: To Be Assigned

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98 and to the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application is requested to consider and make of record the reference listed on the PTO/SB/08a form submitted herewith. A copy of U.S. Reference 6,542,624 B1 listed on the PTO/SB/08a is not required to be enclosed.

Although the information submitted herewith may be "material" to the Examiner's consideration of the subject application, this submission is not intended to constitute an admission that such information is "prior art" as to the claimed invention.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g), the filing of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made.

The U.S. Reference was cited by a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application. MPEP Section 609.04(a)III, second paragraph.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the above-referenced application or before mailing of the first Official Action on the merits. No first Official Action on the merits has yet been received and it is presumed that none has yet been mailed. No fee or statement is required. 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

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